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COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) CONFIDENTIAL REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Soviet Troops in Schwerin

EVALUATION [REDACTED] 25X1X PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1C

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1. On 27 April 1951, two buildings of the Hindenburg Kaserne in Schwerin (M 54/T 46) were occupied to capacity by troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery and motor transport insignia. A third building was only lightly occupied, and a fourth building was vacant. [REDACTED] were observed at the installation. *
 2. On 28 April, the Fritsch Kaserne and the Krueger Kaserne were occupied to capacity. A military band practiced in the yard of the Krueger Kaserne. Armored vehicles were seen behind the 30 to 40 open doors of garages. Only about 20 soldiers were observed in the Moltke Kaserne. The quarters in the Beethoven School on Breitscheidstrasse were still occupied by MGB troops who wore black-bordered red epaulets instead of the green epaulets previously worn by them. **
 3. On 1 May, about 2,000 troops assembled at the athletic field. Specifically, 800 troops wore black-bordered red epaulets and were led by a colonel and a 12-piece band; 500 troops wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia and included a 12-piece band; 350 troops wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia; and 350 troops wore black-bordered black epaulets. ***
- * [REDACTED] Comment. A previous report by the same source stated that an engineer unit, probably the bridge construction unit which is carried in the Hindenburg Kaserne, departed from the installation on 23 April 1951. [REDACTED]
- 25X1A [REDACTED] Comment. The information indicates that the troops of the Schwerin military post were still in their quarters. [REDACTED] 25X1A
- 25X1A Information of late February 1951 indicated that the Beethoven School housed a hospital, whereas an other source reported the school to have been occupied by MVD troops in August 1950. [REDACTED] The present report 25X1A not specific as to whether an MVD office or only quarters of MVD troops are located there.
- 25X1A [REDACTED] Comment. Similar First-of-May celebrations were observed at other military posts.

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